

# South West Whippet Club Championship Show. 15<sup>th</sup> February 2015

First of all I would like to thank the South West Whippet Club for inviting me to judge their bitch classes. This is always a friendly show and I had a lovely day. Perhaps more importantly, I'd like to thank the exhibitors for bringing so many beautiful bitches for me to judge. It is an over-used cliché to say so, but in this case absolutely true, that there were several classes where bitches left without cards, who were easily able to win a first. It is a wonderful reflection of the quality of bitches in our breed that I was frequently struggling to decide who to leave out, not who to include in my winners.

## **Veteran Bitch (10:4 abs)**

1<sup>st</sup> - Mrs S & Misses F & A Robertson's CH & IR CH COLLOONEY GOLDEN GIRL OF SHEOL. 9 year old fawn. A girl I have always loved, and even now she doesn't disappoint. Lovely length, correct front angulation, good spring of pastern, and strong feet. Good bend of stifle and still moving beautifully. Mother of CC winner.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Mrs S & Miss F Mycroft's CH SUPETA'S BOOTILICIOUS BABE ShCM. Also 9 years old. Very similar type to 1. Shapely bitch, with a sweet head, nice length of neck which flows into a well laid shoulder, good backline, which she kept well on the move.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Ms Little, Miss D Grace & Mr Twaddle's ZENOBIA MOON MELODY AT SASILASY ShCM

## **Minor Puppy Bitch**

1<sup>st</sup> - Mr M Howgate & Miss Y Hull's PALMIK EN VOGUE. Pretty fawn baby, plenty of bone, good length and depth of chest. Lovely lines and lovely free movement.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Ms T Foster & Mr S Gallagher's KOPPELWELL HOLLY BLUE. Pale fawn with good length, and good angulation. Sweet head and expression. Moved with reach and drive. Not quite as ready as 1.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Ms L Woodward's BRYNTREIA FIRST LOVE

## **Puppy Bitch (12:1)**

1<sup>st</sup> - Mrs J Wood's ARDENCOTE STAR MAKER. Beautiful fawn baby of perfect size. Well proportioned with exaggerated. Feminine head, good length of neck, correct front, shapely body and strong quarters. Very hard to fault. Lovely daisy-cutting action.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Mrs , Misses F & A Robertson & Mr S O'Brien's - ARDENCOTE STARLET OF SHEOL. Perty fawn/white particolour. Litter sister to 1. Another shapely baby, with good angulation, nice length. Strong quarters with good 2<sup>nd</sup> thigh. A little unsettled, but moved beautifully when she concentrated.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Mr & Mrs Quirk's ALMAKAEALA DREAMY WISPERS

## **Junior Bitch (18:4)**

1<sup>st</sup> - Mrs B Cooper's SHIMMERE BLUE KIRI. Well balanced blue of nice size. Feminine head, with good strong jaw. Lovely lines with good tuck-up. Moves with reach and drive.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Miss B Hooper's DRAKESOAK ENCHANTED SPIRIT. Elegant brindle with a lovely shape, adequate bone, good topline, good bend of stifle. Unexaggerated throughout and presented in lovely hard condition. Very promising baby.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Mr J Winkley-Balmer's CROSSCOP ME AND MY GIRL FOR EDENWHIP

### **Yearling Bitch (16:3)**

1<sup>st</sup> - Mrs L Morris, Mr G Waddell & Miss C Donaldson's NOTHING COMPARES TO YOU AT CROSSCOP. Shapely fawn girl, with a sweet head and feminine outline. Well angulated front, correct topline and good length. Moved well throughout.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Mrs A & Ms R Snelgrove's HUNTINGHILL SNAZZY JAZZY. Pretty brindle/white particolour. Very elegant, but with plenty of substance. Lovely topline and tuck-up, and unexaggerated hind leg. Powerful movement. Lost out to 1 on maturity.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Mrs J Sanford's ERINNIS LILY OF THE VALLEY

### **Novice Bitch (14:1)**

1<sup>st</sup> - Mr M Howgate & Miss Y Hull's PALMIK EN VOGUE.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Ms T Foster & Mr S Gallagher's KOPPELWELL HOLLY BLUE

3<sup>rd</sup> - Mrs Wignall's STARSWIFT SIOUXSIE SUE

### **Special Beginners Bitch (12:3)**

1<sup>st</sup> - Miss B Hooper's DRAKESOAK ENCHANTED SPIRIT

2<sup>nd</sup> - Mrs A Peacock's DRAKESOAK HUBBLE BUBBLE. Litter sister to 1 and more relaxed in this class. Lovely shape, well laid shoulder, good length and correctly made hind quarters. Moved with enthusiasm.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Mrs Wignall's STARSWIFT SIOUXSIE SUE

### **Graduate Bitch (9:3)**

1<sup>st</sup> - Mrs S & Miss F Mycroft's SHINY SENSATIONS SPIRIT OF LOVE FOR SUPETS (imp NL). Correct sized brindle girl with typey head and neat ears and a lovely long neck. Well filled front, good spring of rib. Well balanced throughout. Moved beautifully fore and aft, and showed great drive.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Mrs J Bayliss' RAFTHOUSE GUINEVERE AT NORTHWELLS. Elegant brindle with a very typey outline. Good reach of beck, lovely length and unexaggerated hind quarters. True movement in front and behind.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Ms S Courtney's SPYANFLY SAUCY SOCKS

### **Post Graduate Bitch (20:5)**

1<sup>st</sup> - Mr P & Mrs E Seers' ESPINORE ELEGANT MISS. Pretty particolour bitch. Lovely outline, sweet head and typical expression. Well filled front, good length of loin and correctly made hindquarters. Moved with a lovely daisy-cutting action.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Mr D & Mrs A Turner's GILNOCKIE ENTERTAINER. Lovely typey fawn girl of correct size. Sweet expression, and lovely rose ears. Good length throughout, nice deep brisket, and correct topline. Nicely sprung pasterns. Moved well all round.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Mrs P Hurley's VEREDON EVITA

### **Mid Limit Bitch (11:4)**

1<sup>st</sup> - Miss J Wilton-Clark's SHALFLEET SWEET REEVA. Lovely sized brindle & white bitch, perfectly proportioned. Feminine head with the sweetest of expressions, correct shoulder placement, lovely topline, and good depth with plenty of heartroom. Moved with drive and purpose.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Miss A Brays CYANGRANGE GIOCOMO DELPHINO. A slightly larger fawn, but still maintaining her femininity and elegance. Good length of neck and body, plenty of bone, and nice short pasterns. Lovely top and underline and good strong quarters. Moved well all round.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Mrs L Morris, Mr G Waddell & Miss C Donaldson's APRIL SHOWERS AT CROSSCOP

### **Limit Bitch (18:5)**

A beautiful class. It was disappointing not to be able to place more than 5 here.

1<sup>st</sup> - Mr B & Mrs J Boughton-White's WHIPTAILS HAPPINESS AND JOY AT IPANEMA JW (Imp Fin). Fawn bitch with white trim. Ideal size, and classic shape. Good bone, lovely topline and underline. Well constructed front, with long elegant neck. True, purposeful movement fore and aft. Pushed hard for top honours.

2<sup>nd</sup> - Mrs P Dufty & Mr R Morland's TRIKEN NEVER STOP DREAMING Shapely pale brindle bitch, with pretty head, lovely lines from neck into well placed shoulder, well filled front, good bone and pasterns. Nice long ribbing and strong quarters. Moved effortlessly.

3<sup>rd</sup> - Miss G Robertson's MOONLAKE MAZDA

### **Open Bitch (10)**

Another class without enough cards to go round!

1<sup>st</sup> - Mesdames S, F & A Robertson & Mr S O'Brien's IR CH SHEOL GOLDEN CHHILD JW12 CW13 Fawn bitch who caught my eye as soon as she entered the ring. She oozed elegance and type. Her shapely lines were just what I was looking for. Good length of neck and body, correctly laid shoulder, good bone, well muscled back flowing into powerful quarters. Moved with beautiful low stride. CC & Res BIS

2<sup>nd</sup> - Mrs S & Miss F Mycroft's CH SUPETA'S ECLIPSE JW ShCM. Another favourite of mine. A pretty fawn/white bitch, of ideal size, lovely elegant outline, sweet expression, well correct shoulder placement, with well filled front, lovely deep brisket, well muscled back, and good angulation. Moved with plenty of drive. RCC

3<sup>rd</sup> - Mrs A & Miss R Snelgrove's HUNTINGHILL JAZZMATAZZ

Vanna Leathart

(Judge)